PANTRY SCHOOL.

- I'm thinking of the school-house, Ned, "Where, sitting side by side," We studied Webster's spelling-book, And laughed o'er Gilpin's ride; And traded jack-knives now and then, When not engaged in play, And got our jackets nicely warmed— How often I'il not say.
- I'm thinking of the roadside green, Of every tree and nook— And how in sultry hours of noon We swam in Pantry Brook; And when upon the easement came The ruler's tattoo loud, How each of us in passing in
- Took off his hat and bowed. I'm thinking of the benches rude. And desks, so broad and steep, On which we left our autographs, In letters wide and deep; And of my first new writing book,
- Without a stain or spot, So soon adorned, on every page, With many an off-hand blot. I'm thinking of the "old slough," Ned, Whose waters dark and cool. So often laved our sunburnt feet, While on the way to school:
- In spring time, many a score, While golden lillies richly bloomed In summer, near the shore. I'm thinking of the forests hoar Where firs and cedars grew, And tired feet sank in mosses damp

On whose warm rim the tadpoles lay,

- While hunting gum to chew; And of the pleasant meadows, where On many a scattered tree. The red-winged blackbird sang in spring.
- His love song, "quonk-a-ree. I'm thinking of the hour-glass, Ned, With sands so white and fine. On which our teacher smiling gazed, As neared the hour to dine: But feel my sands are wasting, Ned,
- For often the children say, While fondling them upon my knee: "Papa, you're growing grav." —Charles F. Gerry, in N. Y. Independent,

## MY UNCLE'S WILL.

"My dear Mr. Pavne," said my deceased uncle's lawyer, with an emphatic wag of his forelinger, "I assure you there's no help for it. The language of the will is perfectly simple and explicit. Either you must do as your late uncle desired, or you must let the property go to the representative of his leceased wife's family.

"But surely, Blenkinsopp," I said, deprecatingly, "we might get the Court of Chancery to set it aside, as being contrary to public policy, or something of that sort. I know you can get the Court of Chancery to affirm almost anything you ask them, especially if it's something a little abstruse and out of the common; it gratifies the Court's opinion of its own acumen. Now, clearly, it's cont ary to public policy that a man should go and make his own nephew ridicalous by his last will and testament, isn't it?"

Mr. Blenkinsopp shook his head vigorously. "Bless my soul, Mr. solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, your uncle, the late Anthony Aikin. Esquire, de eased, a person of sound mi d and an adult male above the age of twenty-one years-to be quite accurate, atatis sua, seventy-eightmakes his will, and duly attests the same in the presence of two witnesses: everything quite in order; not a single point open to exception in any way. Well, he gives and bequeaths to his nephew, Theodore Pavne, gentlemanadopt the surname of Aikin, prefixed before and in addition to your own surname of Payne. But-and this is very important - if you don't choose to adopt and use the said surname of Aikin, in the manner hereinbefore recited, then and in that case, my dear sir-why, gruity of the two surnames.

before you by your deceased uncle."

"My dear sir," answered the unsym- with one another. "the law doesn't take into consideration the question of the probable conahem! I drew it up myself, to say the Ruby is a person whose acquaintance I summits of the Maritime Alps with -why me, sir, me, Ruby Estcourt?" truth; and unless you call yourself ought to cultivate.

other person."

matter, but I didn't stop to ask Mr. a Provencal garden!

Blenkinsopp in what author's work half a mind to shy the thing up and go myself.

on with my schoolmastering. Mr. Blenkinsopp shrugged his shoulfriend," he said, sententiously, "twelve I should be inclined to say your present engagement can't be worth to you more than three hundred a year."

figure," I murmured. "And your private means are?"

"Non-existent," I answered, frankly. "Then, my dear sir, excuse such plainness of speech in a man of my probe a perfect fool, sir; a perfect fool, I assure you. "But perhaps, Blenkinsopp, the next-

of-kin won't step in to claim it!" "Doesn't matter a bit, my dear fellow. Executors are bound to satisfy please: I give you a card?" themselves before paying you over your legney that you have assumed and will dition to your own name of Payne, in name!" the manner hereinbefore recited.

I sighed aloud. "Twelve hundred a it which will make one a laughingstock for life to all the buffoons and idi-

ots of one's acquaintance." Blenkinsopp nodded in modified aswouldn't mind taking it on the same terms myself.

cordingly. Tell the executors that I ing the property. accept the condition."

"I won't stop in town." said I to mythe club and in the master's room at St. Martin's. I'll run over on the Continent until the wags (confound them) have forgotten all about it. I'm a sensitive man, and if there's anything on earth I hate it's cheap and easy joking and punning on a name or a personal peculiarity which lavs itself open obviously to stupid buffoonery. Of course I shall chuck up the schoolmastering now: -it's an odious trade at any time and I may as well take a pleasant holiday while I'm about it. Let me see-Nice or Cannes or Florence would be the best thing at this time of year. Esupon the corpus vile of the Cannois." riedly, took the 7:45 to Paris, and that to have some difficulty

terranean. The Hotel du Paradis at and to tell you the truth, I don't alto-Cannes is a very pleasant and well managed place, where I succeeded in maklabel to one's back as Howard or Chol- it upon you." mondely. She won't see the absurdity that's you after a few unimportant answered me in very tolerable English, names put together never struck him. that's you after a few unimportant legacies, the bulk of his real and personal estate provided only that you unimpeachable! "Vary well, sirr, selves to-day, Mr. Shackleford? Every-noticed, and which thrilled through me apartments." I saw there was the to amuse themselves, I suppose. even she, a mere foreigner, a Swiss to Vallauris, and that if I cared to share a Aikin's money go to Halifax. Can you that town by presenting it every to work with vigor, and the estimates stand united in favor of a tariff with in-

real and personal estate is to go to the down to the salle-a-manger. The din- amusement, and I had never seen a denly seized both my hands in hers. heir or heirs-at law of the late Amelia ner was good in itself and was enliv-heir or heirs-at law of the late Amelia ner was good in itself and was enliv-heir or heirs-at law of the late Amelia ner was good in itself and was enliv-heir or heirs-at law of the late Amelia ner was good in itself and was enliv-heir or heirs-at law of the late Amelia ner was good in itself and was enliv-heir or heirs-at law of the late and honest heir or heirs at law of the said ened for me by the presence of an ex-was the very thing I needed, ready cut began to cry as if nothing could stor the thousands of gifts he distributed Anthony Aikin, Esquire, deceased, tremely pretty girl of, say nineteen, out to my hand by propitious fortune, her. "Then you do really and truly Nothing could be simpler or plainer in who sat just opposite, and whose I found out as time went on that love me," she said, through her tears. any way, and there's really nothing on natural protector I soon managed to Mr. Shackelford, being a per- holding fast to my hands all the time earth for you to do except to choose be- draw casually into a general conver- son of limited income, and bad of then you're really willing to make tween the two alternatives so clearly sat sation. I say her natural protector, be- walker, had only one desire in life, this great sacrifice for me! cause though I took him at the time for which was to get somebody else to pay "But look here, you know, Blenkin- her father, I discovered afterwards that half his carriage fares for him by arsopp," I said, appealingly, "no fellow he was really her uncle. Experience rangement. We went to a great many isn't a very great sacrifice either, for were on hand, as well as grown percan really be expected to go has taught me that when you sit oppo- places together, and he always divided I hate the name so much I hardly know sons, who came with the expectation of is not how much this or that man shall words of Mr. Frye, of Maine, their cry call himself Aikin-Payne, site a prett, girl at an hotel, you ought the expenses equally between us, al- whether I could ever have endured to speing fun, and they were not disap- rece ve, or how many persons are need- is to be changed from "Free Trade! now can be? It's positively too redicu- not to open fire by directing your ob- though I ought only to have paid a bear it. lous. Mightn't I stick the Payne be- servations to herself in person; you quarter, as his party consisted of three "You shant bear it," Ruby cried fore the Aikin, and call myself Payne- should begin diplomatically by gaining people, while I was one solitary bach-Aikin, eh? That wouldn't be the confidence of her male relations elor. This apparent anomaly he got hands above me. "You shant bear it, quite so absurdly suggestive of through the wisdom or the or- over on the ingenious ground that if I and yet you shall have your Uncle a perpetual tooth-ache. But Aikin- thodoxy of your political and social had taken a carriage by myself it would Aikin's money all the same for all Payne! Why, the comic papers would opinions. Mr. Shackleford-that, I have cost me just twice as much. How-that, take it up immediately. Every footman in London would grin audibly when —happened to be a fiery Tory, while I for pretty little Ruby Estcourt's societion.

The comic papers would found afterwards, was the uncle's name ever, as I was already decidedly anxious —why, what on earth do you mean, Ruby? I asked, in amazement. he announced me. I fancy I hear the have the personal misfortune to be an ty, this question of financial detail did "Surely, my darling, you can't underfellows this very moment; flinging open equally rabid Radical; but on this occa- not weigh heavily upon me. Besides, stand how strict the terms of the will the door with a violent attempt at seriousness, and shouting out, Mr. sion I successfully dissembled, acquies- hundred a year can afford to be gener- deluding yourself into a belief in some

Aikin-Payne, in the manner hereinbe- "Uncle won't come, of course," said One afternoon, toward the close of Ruby," I cried, in my astonishment fore recited, then and in that case, ob- Ruby, with a pleasant smile (what my second week at Cannes, Ruby and I "You! How do you know? Are you serve (there's no deception), then and teeth!) "The evening air would be were sitting together on the retired seat | really sure of it?"

property was bequeathed directly to Aunt and I are unfashionable enough ing even prettier than usual, in her bro- that what Ruby said was the plain truth him, her or them, by name, and to no to be quite strong and to go in for a cade pattern print dress and her little of it. stroll by moonlight." heirs at-law, Blenkinsopp?" I ventured to ask, after a moment's pause, during observation with great strategic skill, charming fashion.) There was some-

which the lawyer had refreshed himself rather to the aunt than to Miss Ruby in thing in the time and place that moved my hand gently. "It shall be settled with another prodigious sniff from his person; "and if you will allow me I me to make a confession I had for some on you, since I know you were ready to

ahem-why how the dickens should I the Paradis and walked among the date- just this: "Ruby, you are the sweetest There was never a prettier or more know, sir? You don't suppose I keep palms and prickly pears that fill the girl I ever saw in my life. Will you blushing bride than dear little Ruby a genealogical table and full ped- pretty tropical garden. It was a lovely marry me?" igree of all the second cousins of all my moonlight evening in October; and Oc- Ruby only looked at me with a face clients hung up conspicuously in some tober is still almost a summer month on full of merriment and burst out laugh- - James Bishop died recently near spare corner of my brain, do you, eh? on the Riviera. The feathery branches ing. "Why, Mr. Payne," she said (she line against the pale moonlit sky; the slightest notion. All I know about them is that the late Mrs. Amelia Maria white houses of Cannes gleamed with fortnight, and here you come to me thirty-five years. During this time his Susannah Aikin, deceased, had one sis- that peculiarity soft greenish Mediter- with a regular declaration. How can I wife gave birth in the caravan to ter, who married somebody or other ranean tint in the middle distance; and somewhere, against Mr. Anthony the sea reflected the tremulous shimmer anything further to say to her at any sierra of the craggy Esterel and the time. But where she's gone and how long low outline of the lie Ste. Martine for the control of the lie Ste. Martine for the lie Ste. Martine

Ruby Estcourt-she gave me her and kiss Ruby just once, by way of these stirring lines had originally appeared. I was too much occupied with ant to talk to as she was beautiful and sedately; so then I knew the matter was other thoughts at that moment to pur- graceful to behold. Fortunately, her practically settled.

ders. "Believe me, my dear young balmy evening air, the gleaming white So that's clearly understood between town, and pretty Ruby Estcourt-that us," hundred a year is not to be sneezed at. I walked up and down the terrace as Here was a terrible condition, in-Without inquiring too precisely into the long as they would let me; and I was deed ! I reasoned with Ruby, I explainexact state of your existing finances, really sorry when good Mrs. Shackle- ed to Ruby, I told Ruby that if she posi-I'nodded acquiescence. "The exact good evening, and then, hesitating for up my uncle Aikin's money. Ruby a moment as to my name, said quite would hear of no refusal.

fession; but if you throw it up you will by moonlight-as I answered: "That was an omission on my part, certainly. know the conditions." When you told me you were Miss Est-

"Aching Pain!" Ruby said, with a dred a year and perfect comfort."

clear everybody would put that odd more about the subject." year is certainly very comfortable," I miginterpretation upon it for the rest of said. "But it's a confounded bore that my days. "Not Aching Pain, but Aikinone should have a condition tacked on to Payne, Miss Estcourt. A-i-k-i-n, Aikin, the Aikins of Staffordshire; P-a-y-n-e, inal surname was Pavne, a surname sent. "After all," he answered, "I of; but my uncle, Mr. Aikin, from whom must be, it must be; and you may put in addition to my own—in fact, made it nobly refused the money off-hand, and philosophers drink, but they lose this matter is treated and disposed of. The real explanation of these Republication in addition to my own—in fact, made it nobly refused the money off-hand, and philosophers drink, but they lose this matter is treated and disposed of. an advertisement into the Times ac- s condition, sine qua nm, of my receiv-

the names over to herself slowly. "Ah, ves, I see. Excuse my misapprehension, Mr. Aikin-Payne. It was very foolish self, "to be chassed by all the fellows at of me; but really, you know, it does to me very hard that I must throw away sound so very ludicrous, doesn't it twelve hundred a year for a mere senti-

I bit my lip and tried to smile back again. Absurd that a man should be made miserable about such a trifle; and I bowed to pretty little Ruby as well as turns by myself burriedly around the

Payne," said Ruby Esteourt, stumbling cape the November togs and January timidly over the name, as we met in the ridiculous guise of an Aikin-Payne. frosts. Let's make it Cannes, then, salle-a-manger at breakfast next day, and try the first effect of my new name .. I hope you don't feel any the worse for the chilly air last evening.

"It was certainly rather cruel of of the combination." She was a fat him," I replied, as carelessly as I could, yet or not. pray?" Vaudoise Swiss by origin, and she took or at least rather thoughtless. I dare it without moving a muscle. But she say, though, the absurdity of the two your lettares shall be sent to your body at Cannes has nothing to do but with the eestacy of a first discovery.

faintest twinkle of a smile about the Mr. Shackleford answered that they corner of her mouth, and I felt that were going to drive over in the morning concierge, perceived at once the incon- carriage with them, he would be happy to let me accompany his party. Noththen and in that case, as clear as current jelly, the whole said residue of his for a black cutaway and made my way I was alone, I wanted society and To m

we take a stroll out in the gardens?" rather a bore through his auxiety to in- coming down upon the money. Ruby! what a charming name really. struct me in the history and technical

Ruby Estcourt.

she fares, nob dy knows and nobody guerite. Altogether, it was an ideal 'yes' at once; for if we leave it open, married a showman, and was mother cares, sic, as the poet justly remarks." poet's evening, the very evening to common sense teaches me that you to twenty-four children, all of whom I was not previously acquainted with stroll for the first time with a beautiprobably mean to say yes in the long were born and reared in a caravan the poet's striking observation on this ful girl through the charmed alleys of run." And to clench the matter outright, I thought it best to stoop across trades or the musical profession.

sue my investigations into their author- aunt was not one of the race of talka- "But there's one thing, Mr. Pavne, I ship and authenticity. "Upon my tive old ladies, and she left the mass of must really insist upon," Ruby said. If you think you are going right along word, Blenkinsopp, I said, 'I've really the conversation entirely to Ruby and very quietly: "and that is that I in the same old grooves, while the rest it was all so fresh and delightful to I marry you at all, I must marry you tree. You've got to toe the mark along me-the palms, the Mediterranean, the as plain Mr. Payne without any Aikin.

> ford at last suggested that it was sure- tively insisted upon it, I must go back ly getting time for uncle's game of crib- to my three hundred a year, and my bage. As they turned to go, Ruby said paltry schoolmastership, and must give

> simply and naturally, "Why, you "You have always the alternative of haven't yet told us who you are, have marrying somebody else, you know, Mr. Payne," she said, with her most I colored a little-happily invisible provoking and bewitching smile, "but

> "But, Ruby, you would never care to court. I ought to have mentioned in re- live upon a miserable pittance of three turn that my own name was Aikin- hundred a year. I hate the name as Payne, Theodore Aikin-Payne, if you much as you do, but I think I should try to bear it for the sake of twelve hun-

smile. "Did I hear you right? Aching No. Ruby was inexorable. "Take use the name of Aikin before and in ad- Pain, is it? O, what a very funny me or leave me," she said with provoking calmness, "but if you take me, give I drew myself up as stiffly as I was up your uncle's ridiculous suggestion There's no getting over that in any able. "Not Aching Pain," I said, with You can have three days to make your a doleful misgiving in my heart-it was mind up. Till then, let us hear no

> During those three days I kept up a brisk fire of telegrams with old Blenk- down lager and tipple wine, but there's which commend the Democratic party those years in which they have been Payne, the Paynes of Surrey. My originsopp in Chancery Lane; and at the where he is lame. Even old drunkards to public confidence, there is danger largely represented in the House and end of them I same mournfully to the would caution you against the practice. that in a desire to reform these evils Senate show that they have been anithat I venture to say I'm a little proud conclusion that I must either give up Drink not only wastes money, but it Congress may run to the other extreme, mated by as patriotic and National a Ruby or give up the twelve hundred a severs friendships, breeds anger, brings which is equally as bad. I inherit property," I thought that was year. If I had been a hero of romance about quarrels, and there is no end to This question is one which may well rather a good way of putting it, I should have had no difficulty at all in the train of wretchedness it entails. command the exercise of the best judg- legislation that even Republicans could "wished me to adopt his family name deciding the matter; I should have Yes, great lawyers, statesmen, poets ment of the House, for, according as not, or would not, enact. with the loving heart of a beautiful for their weakness, and the world reads follow. A just and wise examination replaced the former Republican major-"Payne -Aikin," Ruby said, turning maiden. But unfortunately I am not a their epitaphs with sneers. Don't make of the estimates will, no doubt, afford ity in the House with a Democratic mahero of romance; I am only an ordinary a persimmon of yourself because some much light upon this subject, but in or- jority. There are too many Democrats, graduate of an English University. one else has. Under these circumstances, it did seem mental fancy. And yet on the other hand, not only did I hate the name my-self, but I couldn't bear to impose it on tell you about luck. That's all bosh. judicious course of conduct do justice publican—and this is what's the matter, Ruby; and as to telling Ruby that I The gambler has you by the throat the to those charged with the duty of con- There is a certain class of Republicans yet I will freely confess that at that mo- wouldn't have her, because I preferred ment, in spite of my uncle's twelve the money, that was clearly quite make any money out of him, but he will if it would secure the approbation of the longs to their party, and it has a right hundred a year, I felt utterly wretched. impossible. The more I looked the see to it that you add to his capital. thing in the face, the more certain it appeared that I must relinquish my dream of wealth and go back (with egotism, but keep it in check. The it will not look kindly upon anything ever, even though the people have pro-I was able, and took a couple more appeared that I must relinquish my Ruby) to my schoolmastering and my | world in general looks upon it as a dis- which savors of niggardliness or parsipaltry three hundred, After all, lots of other fellows marry on that sum; and you know the rest of us won't admit it. party in its dealing with public inter-"Good morning, Mr.-Mr. Aikin- to say the truth, I positively shrank my. Men hate boasters and braggarts. self from going through life under the

The upshot of it all was that at the

"I should think not, indeed," Ruby the point of her parasol, and looked ing myself perfectly at home. I gave answered, frankly. "I never heard away from me steadfastly as she anmy full name to the concierge boldly. "Thank Heaven," I thought, "Aikin life before. I'm sure your uncle must life before where your life before where your uncle must life before where your uncle must life before where your uncle must life before where your life before where Payne will sound to her just as good a have been a perfect old bear to impose can't reconsider the matter in any way. It was you who took three days to make be pretty, and we don't own all the flattering opinion of Democratic party your mind up. Have you made it up brains in the country, but we can teach management, and may open the way

"I have made it up, Ruby." terrogatively, with a faint little tremor | dealing are certain to pay a semi-annual | in her voice which I had never before dividend .- Detroit Free Press.

"And I mean." I answered. "to marry you, Ruby, if you will condemanage, Ruby, to be happy, as a poor Christmas with gifts in some shape or of the department heads cut all to cidental protection. school-master's wife in a very tiny cot other, and for years his mode of observ- pieces. There is, happily, nothing in The fact is that there never has been

To my joy and surprise, Ruby sud-

eagerly, now laughing and clapping her

gusaw behind the lintel. It would be victions; and by the end of dinner we We had a delightful drive along the make your mind up to one thing at had struck up quite an acquaintance shore of that beautiful blue gulf to Val- once, that unless I call myself Aikinlauris, and another delightful drive Payne, you'll have to live the rest of pathetic Blenkinsopp (most unsympa- "Ruby," said the aunt to the pretty back again over the hills to the Para- your life as a poor schoolmaster's wife. thetic profession, an attorney's really), girl. as soon as dinner was over, "shall dis. True, old Mr. Shackleford proved The next-of-kin will be sharp enough in

Ruby looked at me and laughed and duct of footmen. It must be Aikin-Payne or nothing. I admit the colloca-And what a beautiful, graceful figure, and of the Vallauris pottery in particu-would you say, Mr. Payne," she said, tion does sound a little ridiculous, to be as she rises from the table and throws lar, when I wanted rather to be admir- with a smile that dried up all her tears. sure; but your uncle's will is perfectly her little pale blue Indian silk scarf ing the glimpses of Bordighera and the "what would you say if you heard that unequivocal upon the subject-in fact, around her pretty shoulders! Clearly, Cap St. Martin, and the snow-clad the next-of-kin was -who do you think! I could hardly believe my ears. "You,

in that case the heir or heirs-at-law of too much for him. You know," she in the grounds beside the pond with the Ruby put a lawyer's letter into my hand, signed by a famous firm in the said will be entitled to hear of the really sure of it?"

Ruby put a lawyer's letter into my hand, signed by a famous firm in the said will be entitled to hear of the really sure of it? said will be entitled to benefit under the everybody at Cannes is in the invalid ternoon, with the last touch of southern city. "Read that," she said, simply. I will as fully in every respect as if the line and musu't stir out after sunset. summer in the air, and Ruby was look- read it through and saw in a moment

> straw hat with the scarlet poppies. "So you want to do your future hus-"I happen to be equally out of the (Ruby always dressed-I may say band out of the twelve hundred a year!"

should be very glad to accompany time been meditating; so I looked give it up for my sake. And there "Who the dickens are they, Mr. you." straight in her face, and not being shall be no more Aikin-Paynes hence-Payne? I should say Mr. Aikin-Payne, So we turned out on the terrace of given to long speeches, I said to her forth and forever."

that day six weeks .- Belgravia Annual.

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Come With the Crowd.

See here, my boy! The bells have rung the old year out and the new one in and a new watch has come on deck. mustn't be called Mrs. Aikin-Pavne. If of us are making changes, you are up a with the remainder of the world.

Now, then; you are beginning life. You are from sixteen to twenty-one years old. You think you know all about it, but the fact is you are'nt more than half-baked yet. What you don't know would cover all Lake Erie, while difficult question will be how to secure West. - Boston Globe. your worldly wisdom wouldn't knock the reform needed without crippling the an owl off his perch. Suppose you machinery of Government. There are make a resolve to begin the year 1884 by not knowing more than half as much this question are extreme, and who as Plato, Diogenes and other wise men. would recklessly cut off and cut down with the House Committees. They If you should condescend to admit that without troubling themselves to inquire complain that there are too many you didn't even know more than your what the result would be. While it is Southern men-"Rebel Brigadiers"own father, it wouldn't greatly affect the privilege, as well as the duty of on them. They affect to be shocked at if you really do want to marry me, you your general standing with the world. Congress to exercise authority over the the spectacle of Southern men being so

for? What's the use of paying out \$100 ments, and secure if possible the ad- have to do with Northern interests-the a year to insure bad breath, headaches, ministration of true principles of econo- tariff, the pensions, the public debt, red eyes, decayed teeth and nervous de- my in the conduct thereof, care should commerce, agriculture and industry. bility, when you can secure a broken be taken that the estimates furnished But this is not the first time that leg, which is far nicer, by a tumble as the bases of appropriations are not "Rebel Brigadiers," as they are called, down stairs? Chewing is a vicious, needlessly and recklessly cut down have been largely placed on the House nasty habit. Smoking affects the brain simply for the sake of making a show- Committees, and had much to do with and nerves and stomach. We admit ing of economy. The Government is the control of legislation in Congress, that a young chap of your age look like a great statesman when he comes various functions should not be hamdown the avenue puffing away at a five pered or hindered from any mere de- did they refuse the appropriations for cent grab, but suppose you didn't look sire to make party capital. Recogniz- interest on the public debt or for penlike anybody but yourself?

ably you do. A young man of your age is apt to think it smart to guzzle public burdens is one of the things industry? The records of Congress for

hope you got such a skinning as will the sake of mere opposition, or to make the delegations from California, Conalone. Fight as shy of gambling rooms Committees, must fully acquaint itself New York, Ohio and Wisconsin-eight moment you enter his door. You can't ducting the affairs of the Government, who have a notion that this country be-

sometimes it isn't. Civility and a con- with public questions. scientious regard for other people's end of the three days, I took Ruby a lit | feelings are trump cards in the game of | dential campaign. Many things will con- | little while they will do the same with tle walk alone among the olive gardens life. Be charitable without encourag- spireto give the Democratic party victory the Senate and then with the Executive So I packed up my portmanteau hur- I bowed slightly. "You seem behind the shrubbery. "Ruby," I said ing vice; be honest in your opinions, or plunge it into defeat. Among these and when that time comes we shall "you're the most fan- but don't imagine that it is your duty things, the use of the power now en- have a better state of things-a reto a comprehensive pinch from his same evening found myself comforta- membering my full name, Miss Est- tastic, self-willed, imperious little per- to break up a family or start a church trusted to its hands in the lower House stored shipping, a more vigorous for snuff-box (an odious habit, confined, I bly ensconced in a wagon lit, making court, I said, suggestively. "Suppose son I ever met with, and I want to scandal; in your dealings be square. of Congress will cut no unimportant eign policy, American commerce carried believe, at the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my soul, my dear sir, leave the present day to family solicitors.) "bless my solicitors.) "bless my solicitors." "bless

"And you mean -- ?" she said, in to prove that horse sense and square ty advantage.

A Real Santa Claus. to 4,000 poor children and invited them | constrained to approve. hinted that many of those who did asdid not draw the line between the poor fell thick and fast, did not appear to dampen the ardor of the boys, though presents were pitched out the windows. | 'er. This caused a great deal of scrambling and afforded the four hundred spectators any amount of fun. The gifts consisted of portfolio slates, scrap books,

-The United States boasts the only a fig how it is brought about. poisonous lizard, the Heloderma, a pecimen of which was recently exhibited at the Central Park Zoo. Experisaliva is found to be alkaline, and when injected into a pigeon caused death in nine minutes. They are frequently found in Montana fighting with snakes, always coming out victors. - N. Y. Sun.

-A caterer in Buffalo cooks angleworms. He feeds them on milk for a few days, dusts them with flour, and drops them into a pan of burning oil or fat. They are served in drawn butter with a little lemon juice and Worcestershire sauce. - Buffalo (N. Y.) Express.

-The cellars under Philadelphia's acres. The first cellar is thirteen feet deep, and the cellar under that is of like depth.—Philadelphia Press.

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Baltimore Sun.

Retrenchment and Reform.

there is a prevalent notion that a reform is greatly needed. It is, however, some men in Congress whose views upon

der to act intelligently and escape the Northern and Southern, in that body. Played poker or faro yet? If so, we charge of crippling the departments for There is a majority of Democrats in ast you your life-time. Let gambling party capital, the House, through its necticut, Indiana, Michigan, Nevada, country. This is a serious and import to rule it in spite of the people. A Re-Now, as to your personal traits. You tant business, for while the country will publican policy has prevailed so long ease. Even if you know all you think mony, and the record of the Demogratic change. ests neither justifier nor can it coun-Bluntness is a good thing sometimes; tenance any stingy methods in dealing ple have driven the former Republican

ake me in spite of the surname?"

you are a just and upright man you'll public approval, but if hot haste and ill self, more advantageous relations with make money and keep friends as well. considered action control party rethe Republics of Central and South In fact, young man, suppose you sponsibility and the country is made to America, and a tariff that will be prosquare up with your tailor, pay the believe that a Democratic House has ductive of something else than perbalance at your boot-makers, part your made war upon clerks, messengers and petual strikes, lock-outs and overprowith the rest of us. We don't claim to it will not give those who labor a very you several things that may come use- for charges and accusations of spigot

ing Christmas was the feature of the the past history of a Democratic Con- a division in the Democratic party on day. Now that Mr. Cortright is a citi- gress which justifies such a notion of the tariff question. It was because the zen of Allentown, he dispenses his reform, and it is to be hoped that when party was pretty thoroughly united on vesterday have added to his fame as consideration and action, that the cry equitable protection to American industhe children's friend. On Monday he of Democratic parsimony will not be tries that Mr. Randall failed to obtain armounced that at two o'clock on Tues- sustained, but a bill presented which the Speakership. He was supposed to

this great sacrifice for me!"

"Ruby," I said, "my darling, don't excite yourself so. And, indeed, it fore the appointed time the children to 4,000 poor children and invited them to 4,000 poor children and pointed. To lend to the interest of the ed to carry on the work of the Govern- Free Trade!" to "Murder! Murder!" occasion Mr. Cortright engaged the ment, but whether an equivalent is ren- According to the Tribune's report, Allentown Band, and the music at- dered for the money paid, and whether while the question of representation tracted others who would otherwise not have graced the occasion. At two pended. The heads of departments are Committee, Mr. Frye "wished to say to o'clock the fun began. Instead of responsible to the people for the con- Representatives from the South that he 4,000 poor children being on hand there duct of their business, and the highest had never truckled to the Bourbons. He were about 400, the town not being able | wisdom does not consist in opposing | had never melted down his words. He to raise the first number. It is strongly their just demands, but in laboring had called 'Murder! murder!' everywith them to further the public good. | where.' semble were not very poor, but with If there are drones in these public characteristic liberality Mr. Cortright bee-hives, the Secretary must find

The Register wishes the Democratic

## No More Sectionalism.

Utterly nonsensical is all this controversy which numbers of Republican dolls of all sizes and nationalities, nig- journals are making about the positions ger babies, savings banks, tops, balls, given to Southern Congressmen. So whips, popguns, tin horns, express nonsensical that it is not worthy the wagons and toys of all kinds and descriptions. The fun was kept up for about two hours. Some of the more scho of a sectionalism long since buried successful grabbers succeeded in get- too deep under the united interests of ting eight or ten toys. The children, the country to be brought into actual as a rule, all fared well, and in their existence again at the hysterical call ping firm has on its direction an octoestimation Mr. Cortright is the prince of editors either too far removed from genarian Admiral who dates back to the of good fellows.—Alientown (Pa.) those interests to know of what deep mentioned in dispatches for gallantry and universal moment they are, or too at the battle of Algiers. Sixty-seven blindly devoted to party success to care years after Lord Exmouth's battle was

ments were tried with it at the Smithments were tried with it at the Smithsonian, and the scientist who was bitten
sonian, and the scientist who was bitten
And as to sectional interests there is made of. was dangerously affected, but was re-lieved by immediate attention. The hose of the East and West as there is between those of the North and South. L. L. sat at the breakfast table recently, Even more, in fact, for the growing he heard a church bell ring twice. manufacturing interests of the South Think ng it an illusion, he said to his are developing in much the same line daughter. "There, Ill bet anything as those of the East. Those of the father's dead." A few minutes after-West are more different. The cotton ward he received a telegram informing manufacturers of New England and the him of his father's death, which occurre ron men of Pennsylvania are not even suddenly that morning. The bell had rivals; they are co-workers with those of actually rung. -N. Y. Tribune. the South. They are investing their money in that section, and the interests

In the face of all this it is the height Md , for selling liquor from bottles that new City Hall are the largest in America, their area being four and one-half has a majority of Congressional char-

simply because there are twenty-eight chairmen from the South and twenty-This Congress will very likely make five from the North? Are not the inan attempt to reduce the running ex-penses of the Government, and there is of the South the same as those

no doubt that plenty of room will be The South is having a hard enough found to practice economy. The ten-dency of the times has been toward lib-South. This attempt to raise a seceral expenses, and toward this conditional cry against it is a dastardly attion of things the Government depart- tempt to stab it in the back. If the ments have gradually drifted, until committee chairmen are men of high intelligence and integrity what difference does it make whether a few more much easier to talk of reform in this or a few less of them come from the direction than to accomplish it, and the North or the South, the East or the

## They Don't Like It.

Republican zealots are not satisfied Perhaps you smoke and chew. What | management of the Executive Depart- largely placed on the Committees that ing the fact that the Republican man- sions to Union sold ers? On what oc-Maybe you drink a little; very prob- agement has been extravagant, and that cas on were they recreant to the claims spirit as Republicans; indeed, the country owes to them much advantageous

nounced against it and demanded s

But there is no occasion for alarm. The country is in safe hands. The pecmajority out of the House and com-We are now upon the eve of a Presi- mitted that body to Democrats. In a

## "Murder" as a Platform.

It is evident that the Republicans beful in future years, and we guarantee economy, which might not result in par- gin to lose faith in their ability to get up an issue on the tariff. Even the Sun, These rejlections are thrown out be- from whose predict ons they have recause already the country has been in- cently gathered consolation, recognizes formed of the devastation and destruct the absurdity of his former position and tion which Democratic reformers pro- discovers that "it now looks as though As long as Mr. Samuel M. Cortright pose to bring about when they get to this famous and fatal phrase of a tariff was a resident of Mauch Chunk he gladwork upon the departments. It has for revenue only might have to slide, scend to take me, and let my Uncle dened the heart of every poor child in been intimated that the knife will be set and that "the Democracy may in 1884

day he would distribute 4,000 presents Republicans and Democrats alike will be have too much leaning towards the Republican doctrine of no reduction of

That is the watchword, "Murder! murder!" must be yelled by every pothem, and if there are sinecures he litical Republican throat from now till until the day of election next year.

Mr. Chandler commences with an ex-House to make such a record before tra resolution offered to the Committee, some of the younger ones were nearly the country that it will prepare the charging the Southern States with "atsnowed under. At first the children public mind for the election of a Demo- tempts to suppress human rights and to passed by the windows two by two and crat c Pres dent. It is possible to do this, destroy free suffrage and an honest received their presents, but soon this and, if the leaders are wise, such a resystem was broken up, and then the sult will be obtained.—American Regis- with humanity and civilization." The Republican Senate follows up the cry with similar Munchausen stories. The State platforms and Republican party press will follow suit, and all over the North will be heard the echo of Frye's shout: "Murder! Murder!"

That is right, Grand Old Party! Fight it out on that lyin' if it takes all summer!- N. Y. World.

-Several of the directors of banks and joint stock companies in London are over eighty. One well-known shipwon a survivor of eighty-six is still in What difference does it make from harness, not only on the board of one what section two or three more com- of the largest English steam companies,

-As Edward Herbert, of Bay Shore,

-Thomas Spinks turned out to be a of the two regions are becoming prac-cically identical. peripatetic liquor saloon. He was fined fifty dollars and costs in Ellicott City,